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We need more frequent and reliable train service to continue the upward trend of economic development in Naugatuck. Transportation brings economic development not only to Naugatuck, but all through the entire line from Waterbury to Bridgeport.

We have a piece of property, owned by Naugatuck that is sitting adjacent to the Waterbury to Bridgeport line. We have developers eagerly awaiting the upgrades to the line, and once completed the Town will sell the land to the developer who can provide a project that will benefit Naugatuck and the entire Valley. We are excited about a transit oriented development that one day will be developed on land that is now barren. The land I am discussing is part of the former Uniroyal complex that once employed thousands of people in Naugatuck. We are ready to go with the project, but unreliable train service is holding up the project. The time is now to upgrade that line.

The entire Naugatuck Valley is excited about more frequent and reliable train service on the Waterbury line. Projects up and down the Valley will bring a new awakening to these former mill towns. Naugatuck and the entire Valley are ready to go. I enthusiastically support this bipartisan endeavor. As an Economic Development person I am convinced that an upgraded rail line through the Naugatuck Valley brings more jobs, more revenue for the Towns in the Valley and more vibrant and exciting neighborhoods.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer my thoughts on the upgrading of the Waterbury to Bridgeport line.

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